AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1   1.   (currently amended) A method for exporting removable media in a storage device ~~library~~ according to a schedule, comprising:

3   at a first time, receiving export identification data comprising first data identifying one or more removable media from the storage device ~~library~~ to be exported and second data identifying a second time at which the one or more removable media is scheduled to be exported;

6   storing the export identification data in a data file; and

7   at the second time, using the stored export identification data to select the one or more removable media to be exported to export the selected media from the storage device library.

1   2.   (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving export identification data comprises receiving a list of one or more removable media.

1   3.   (currently amended) The method of claim 2, wherein receiving a list of one or more removable media comprises receiving a list of removable media identifiers.

1   4.   (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving export identification data comprises receiving one or more removable media selection criteria.

1   5.   (currently amended) The method of claim 4, wherein using the stored export identification data to select the one or more removable media to be exported comprises evaluating the stored removable media selection criteria to determine which of the removable media in the library meets the one or more removable media selection criteria.

1   6.   (currently amended) The method of claim 4, wherein receiving one or

2 more <u>removable</u> media selection criteria comprises receiving a criteria defined by a length of

3 time since a <u>removable</u> media was last read from or written to.

1   7.   (original) The method of claim 1, wherein storing the export identification

2 data comprises storing the export identification data in an administrative task parameter table.

1   8.   (original) The method of claim 7, comprising accessing the administrative

2 task parameter table at the second time to retrieve the identification data.

1   9.   (currently amended) The method of claim 1, comprising storing an export

2 history table containing a plurality of fields identifying the <u>removable</u> media to be exported and a

3 status of the export of each such <u>removable</u> media.

1   10.   (currently amended) The method of claim 8, comprising updating the

2 export history table following an attempt to export the <u>removable</u> media from the <u>storage device</u>

3 ~~library~~.

1   11.   (original) The method of claim 1, comprising receiving an instruction to

2 halt or delay an export and halting or delaying the export.

1   12.   (currently amended) An administrative system for scheduling an export of

2 one or more <u>removable</u> media from a <u>storage device</u> ~~library~~, the system comprising:

3   a user interface for receiving, at a first time, export identification data comprising

4 first data identifying one or more <u>removable</u> media from the <u>storage device</u> ~~library~~ to be exported

5 and second data identifying a second time at which the identified one or more <u>removable</u> media

6 is scheduled to be exported;

7   a data file stored in a memory device for storing the export identification data; and

8   a task control subsystem for retrieving the export identification data at the second

9   time from the data file and controlling the storage device ~~library~~ to cause the export of the

10   removable media identified by the media identification data.

1   13.   (currently amended) The system of claim 12, wherein the user interface is

2   configured to allow a user to specify one or more removable media to be exported by one or

3   more respective removable media identifiers, the data file storing the specified removable media

4   identifiers.

1   14.   (currently amended) The system of claim 12, wherein the user interface is

2   configured to allow a user to specify one or more criteria by which removable media is selected

3   to be exported, the database storing the specified one or more criteria.

1   15.   (currently amended) The system of claim 14, wherein the task control

2   subsystem comprises an evaluator for evaluating the stored criteria to determine which one or

3   more removable media in the storage device ~~library~~ satisfy the specified one or more criteria at

4   the second time.

1   16.   (currently amended) The system of claim 12, comprising an export

2   history data file stored in a memory device, the export history data file containing a field

3   associated with each removable media indicating a status of the export of the removable media.

1   17.   (currently amended) The system of claim 12, wherein the user interface is

2   configured to allow a user to specify second data comprising a specified event following which

3   the removable media is to be exported.

1   18.   (currently amended) A data structure stored on a computer readable

2   medium comprising first data identifying one or more removable media from a storage device

3   ~~media library~~ and second data identifying a time at which the identified one or more removable

4   media are scheduled to be exported from the <u>storage device</u> ~~library~~, the data structure being

5   accessed by a task control application program at the second time to determine which one or

6   more <u>removable</u> media are scheduled to be exported at the second time and to send a control

7   signal to the <u>storage device</u> ~~media library~~ to initiate export of the identified one or more

8   <u>removable</u> media.

1   19.   (currently amended) The data structure of claim 18, wherein the first data

2   comprises a list of one or more <u>removable</u> media identifiers.

1   20.   (currently amended) The data structure of claim 19, wherein the first data

2   comprises one or more criteria by which one or more <u>removable</u> media is selected to be exported

3   at the second time.